

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

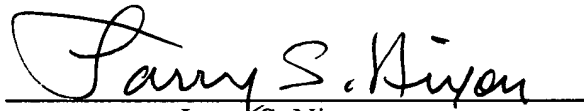
The above minor amendments are believed appropriate under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. Entry of same is requested.

It is also noted that the boiler plate language included in the Examiner's 24 July 2006 interview summary might be interpreted to require a separate summary submission by the undersigned. If so, then the undersigned confirms that on July 24, 2006 Examiner Nguyen telephoned the undersigned to suggest minor amendments to claims 1 and 21 to place this case in allowable condition. The presence of "means" language in claim 1 was found objectionable and the lack of "means" language in claim 21 was found objectionable. The Examiner was of the view that it was improper to mix "means" and "non-means" elements within the same claim. Although the Examiner's concerns were believed misplaced, the undersigned agreed to suitable Examiner's amendment (as above corrected) to obviate such objection.

Respectfully submitted,

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